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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Masami TAKAYAMA et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1626  
Application No.: 10/567,993 ) Examiner: Janet L. Coppins  
Filed: September 1, 2006 )  
For: COMPOUNDS HAVING ) Confirmation No.: 7517  
THROMBOPOIETIN RECEPTOR )  
AGONISM )

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**AMENDMENT**

Further to the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) prior to the payment of the issue fee filed concurrently herewith, Applicants respectfully request the timely allowance of the pending claims in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2.

**Remarks** follow the amendment sections of this paper.